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Winter in the Sierras

MY CONFIDENCE

Before me is a future all unknown,
A path untried;
Beside me is a friend well known and loved,
That friend is God.
Before me lies a new and unseen way
Midst shadows dim;
Beside me is my Guide, and day by day
I walk with Him.

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Tidings

Editorial . . .

A CHRISTIAN'S FAITH

"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."
—Psalm 90:12

When we take down the old calendar and put up the new one, we are more than usually reminded that time is swiftly passing. We realize afresh that the past is gone forever, whether well spent or squandered. The changes that have come in the year just ended bear testimony to the fact that we can expect more in this coming year. 1952 will probably hold the average amount of joys and sorrows. To some will come a greater proportion of the pleasant things, to others a great share of tests and trials, and to most will come the general mixture of both. In whatever lies just beyond the thin but impenetrable curtain of tomorrow, the Shepherd Christ will be with those who need His guiding hand and gracious blessing.

Before me lies an unknown sea.

The port I left behind;

Strong waves are forming at the prow,

The sails bend to the wind.

What is my quest? Why fare I forth?

Not mine it is to say;

He whom I serve has given command,

I have but to obey.

So to the overguiding Will,

My own I gladly yield;

And while my little craft outstands,

I sail with orders sealed.

I may not read, then, if I would;

I would not if I might,

Nor hold the duty less, but more,

Whose chart is faith, not sight.

Some time, I know not when or how,

All things will be revealed;

And until then content am I

To sail with orders sealed.—Anon

—M.M.

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The greatest service a man can render is to place at the command of his nation, his community and his family a Christ-controlled life.

THE NEW YEAR

We are standing on the threshold, we are in the opened door,

We are treading on the border land we have never trod before.

Another year is coming, another year is gone,

We have passed the darkness of the night, we're in the early morn.

We have left the fields behind us o'er which we scattered seed;

We have passed into the future which none of us can read.

We hasten to fresh labor—to thrash and reap and sow,

Then bid the New Year welcome and let the old year go!

What Is Worship?

It is the soul searching for its counterpart.

It is a thirsty land crying out for rain.

It is a candle in the act of being kindled.

It is a drop in quest of the ocean.

It is a man listening through a tornado for the Still Small Voice.

It is the voice in the night calling for help.

It is a sheep lost in the wilderness pleading for rescue by the Good Shepherd.

It is the same sheep nestling in the arms of the Rescuer.

It is the prodigal son running to his father.

It is a poet enthralled by the beauty of a sun rise.

It is the soul standing in awe before the Master of the universe.

It is a workman pausing a moment to listen to a strain of music.

It is a hungry heart seeking for love.

It is time flowing into eternity.

It is my little self engulfed in the Universal Self.

It is a man climbing the altar stairs to God.

He who neglects worship neglects that which separates man from the birds, the animals, the insects, and the fishes.

The unworshipping man is an anthropoid equipped with a highly developed brain.

He may be a paragon of morality, but so are bees and ants.

He may be keenly intelligent, but so are wolves and foxes.

He may provide for his family, but so do hyenas and orangutans.

He may be successful in affairs, but so are beavers and muskrats.

He may be artistic, but so are birds and butterflies.

Worship is the chief concern of highly developed human beings.

A human being must be graded according to his capacity for worship.

Worship for men is what song is for a songster, or physical beauty for a tiger, or speed for a race horse.

Worship lifts men to their next level or experience and justifies their existence as men.

Worship is man expressing his entire personality.

To neglect worship is to fail in life's highest function.

The neglect of worship is physical suicide.

Intelligent worship is the most remarkable achievement of which a human being is capable.

The primary function of a church is to supply an incentive to worship and to furnish an atmosphere for worship.

If one cannot worship in church, the church may be at fault, or the man may be at fault.

If the church is at fault, it will eventually perish, unless it remedies the condition.

If the man is at fault, he will dry up and become a spiritual mummy unless he becomes changed.—Selected.

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A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

What shall I ask for the coming year?

What shall my watchword be?

What would'st Thou do for me, dear Lord.

What shall I do for Thee.

Lord, I would ask for a holy year,

Spent in Thy perfect will;

Help me to walk in Thy very steps—

Help me to please Thee still.

Lord, I would ask for a trustful year;

Humble, and yet so high;

Help me to sink at Thy blessed feet,

And on Thy bosom lie.

Lord, I would ask for a trustful year;

Give me Thy faith Divine,

Taking my full inheritance,

Making Thy fullness mine.

Lord, I would ask for a year of love;

Oh, let me love Thee best!

Give me the love that faileth not

Under the hardest test.

Lord, I would ask for a busy year,

Filled up with service true;

Doing with all Thy Spirit's might

All that I find to do.

Lord, I would ask for a year of prayer—

Teach me to walk with Thee;

Breathe in my heart Thy Spirit's breath;

Pray Thou Thy prayer in me.

Lord, I would ask for a dying world;

Stretch forth Thy mighty hand;

Scatter Thy Word—Thy power display

This year in every land.

Lord, I would ask for a year of joy,

Thy peace, Thy joy divine,

Springing undimmed through all the days,

Whether of shade or shine.

Lord, I would ask for a year of hope.

Looking for Thee to come,

And hastening on that year of years

That brings us Christ and Home.

—A. B. Simpson.

Sometimes The Answer Is No

By Mark A. Hinman

1 Chron. 22:7—"And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, it was in my mind to build an house unto the name of the Lord."

"It was in mine heart," said King David, but to the desire of the king's heart, God gave the answer no. From these circumstances, let us gather some encouragement for ourselves. David, a man after God's own heart, had gone through great trial, and had finally come into the office to which God had called him; he became king over all Israel. Having become king, he dwelt in a lovely home and lived sumptuously, as would a king of his caliber. Although everything was going in his favor, his enemies all around him finally subdued, the land quiet from war; nevertheless, he continued as a servant of God.

Walking through his beautiful home one day, he suddenly was aware of the fact that while his own house was strong and beautiful, the tabernacle in which the presence of God dwelt was the one made in the wilderness centuries before. It was certainly in sharp contrast to the house of cedar which David called home. So he decided to build a house for God—a house of God, if you please.

I marvel at the fact that for the first time in the record someone wanted to build a house for the God who fills the universe. But God sent a prophet to David to tell him that while he could prepare the necessary material and could draw the architectural plans, he could not build the house itself because he was a man of war. However, along with this denial, he was assured that Solomon, his son, would build the temple. This he did—at a cost estimated to approximate about two billion dollars.

In wanting to do something for God, David doubtless mistook the zeal to do as a sign that he was called to do it. Again and again this story of the longing of the child of God and of the Father's refusing has been repeated.

Trophimus, Paul's companion, wanted to publish the gospel, but Paul had to leave him at Miletus, sick. It was in the hearts of the Macedonians to give a great deal for the poor Jewish saints, but their own poverty restricted their offerings and kept them small. It was in the heart of John to preach in the busy city of Ephesus but, Christ permitted him to

be imprisoned on the rough and barren rock of Patmos in the midst of the moaning sea. God's way is the best way, and not always is it His will to do the thing we desire greatly to do.

The desire to serve God in any capacity is commendable, and a genuine love for Christ will always be accompanied with a desire to do something for Him. God pity these poor blind and deceived persons who feel no obligation to work for God in any capacity. Some people think it is too much to attend church every Sunday, let alone come to Sunday school, stay for church service, and then, of all things, to return to the church for an evening service. They feel no obligation to God in service. I wonder if their condition is any better than those who do not profess to be Christian at all.

A desire to work for God will always accompany one's love for Him. But not always are we permitted to do the thing we want to do. Sometimes that longing is met with God's veto. But it does not

mean that He is frowning on our zeal. It simply means that He has something else for us to do. David could have been so disappointed that he could have grown bitter toward God. But we read of no such thing. He simply went ahead with the work he could do.

That desire to work for God, the heart's prayer and wish, reveals of what spirit we are and proves us to be His child indeed. If we are forbidden to realize it now, He sees the zeal, and it is accounted to our credit in the bank of heaven if we go ahead with the things we can do.

The work of the kingdom of God will never be defeated, for God always has had His men and He always will have them. By and by His temples will be built, His battles will be won, and, as in the case of David, those who remain by the stuff share equally with those who are in the more conspicuous places.

In His great future, we shall have ample time to learn that our disappointments were, for the most part, His appointments. And our love for Him and His kingdom will help to set aflame the eternal torch of praise and worship at His feet forevermore.

Christ Is Coming Again

By Joseph Wilderman

"So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many, and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation. Hebrews 9:28.

The object of Christ's first coming into the world was to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself, and after a period of absence in heaven, where he now acts as our mediator and High Priest, He will return again to this world.

Christian people the world over believe that in order to be saved from our sins we must believe in His sacrifice. (Romans 10: 9-13) Christian people the world over have this common faith. The inspiration of the Bible, the fall, universal sin, the pre-existence of Christ, His Virgin Birth, His spotless life and vicarious suffering on our behalf are cardinal truths believed in by Christians in all generations. It is when we discuss the validity of experimental experience, and the second coming of Jesus Christ that difference arises. Those of us who believe in the truth of His second coming, and rejoice in the hope that it gives us in these dark days, think it strange that it is not universally believed and proclaimed from every pulpit in the land.

Wherever modernist and rationalist teachers have gained a foothold, it is entirely rejected. They dislike the idea of the coming of Christ; for, like Adam,

who after the fall hid himself because he was naked, these leaders feel ill at ease when they hear of Christ's second coming. To them this subject with its implications brings no joy. Of such preachers we might say, *"They have rejected the word of the Lord; and what wisdom is in them?"* (Jeremiah 8:9).

Strange as it may seem, it is no exaggeration to say that the worst and most dangerous forms of belief emanates from some of the theological colleges of our time. Students are taught that the Bible is untrustworthy, that the utterances of our Lord are unreliable, His atoning sacrifice a delusion, and that His bodily resurrection and His personal return are exploded theories. We in the Assemblies of God need to be thankful for our Bible institutes and colleges where plenary inspiration of the Holy Scriptures is accepted and taught as a verifiable fact. Some times our hearts are saddened when we hear of the progress of doubt in the minds of the masses who are led by blind leaders. However, all this only goes to prove that we are living in the last days and that His second coming is near at hand.

"First of all, you must understand this that in the last days mockers will come with their mockeries, going where their passions lead and saying, 'Where is his promised coming? For ever since

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our forefathers fell asleep everything has remained as it was from the beginning of creation." 2 Peter 3: 3-4 (Goodspeeds Translation).

Some Infallible Proofs of the Second Coming

It is hardly necessary to produce an array of facts to prove a doctrine so clearly revealed in Scripture as the second coming of Christ, but it may be helpful for readers who have not studied the subject to consider the following points, with an open Bible, looking up all of the Scripture references.

The fulfilment of Bible prophecy is a striking proof of the divine inspiration of our Bible, and a great confirmation of our faith in what is recorded concerning future events. In the historical books of the Bible, from Genesis to 2 Chronicles, it is said there are more than a hundred predictions recorded together with their fulfilment.

Some of these predictions were uttered hundreds of years before the events took place: As instanced in the flood (Genesis 6:17 and 7:21-23) and in Josiah one of the great revivalists of the Old Testament, who was named 350 years before his birth. (1 Kings 13:1-3 and 2 Kings 23: 15-20.)

In studying the prophecies which speak of the first and second coming of Christ, care must be taken to distinguish between those which refer to His coming in weakness and in humiliation as the "Man of sorrows" to atone for sin, and the prophecies which speak of His glory as Lord and King. Compare Isaiah 7:14 with Zechariah 14. Some of these remarkable predictions which circle around the first advent, were given hundreds of years beforehand. The first promise of a Saviour and the nature of His birth are intimated in Genesis 3:15 (4004 B.C.) The Virgin Birth was prophesied 700 years beforehand. Psalm 22, which so graphically describes our Lord's humiliation and suffering, was written in 1058 B.C. All these prophecies were given by divine inspiration (2 Peter 1:21, and Luke 1:70) and the proof of their validity is that they have all been fulfilled to the very letter.

Surely then we cannot be accused of presumption when we believe that predictions regarding His second coming in glory and great power shall have the same precise and LITERAL fulfilment as those which concerned His birth, humiliation and atonement. It is a source of great inner strength to realize that our Lord himself said: "I will come again" (John 14:3). The above simple statement is supported by some 318 references in 260 chapters of the New Testament, and the declarations are made by Christ and His apostles. Here are a few which are so clear as to admit of no

OUR TREASURE

Time is money. We have no right to waste it. Time is power. We have no right to dissipate it. Time is influence. We have no right to throw it away. Time is life. We must value it greatly. Time is God's. He has given it to us for a purpose. Time is a sacred trust. We must answer for every moment. Time is preparation for eternity. We must redeem it—World Conquest.

confusion of thought on the matter: (1 Corinthians 15:23, 1 Thessalonians 2:19, 3:13, 4:15, and 5:23. 2 Thessalonians 2:1. James 5:7-8. 2 Peter 1:16. 3:4, 1 John 2:28). Also the text in Hebrews 9:28 where it states emphatically that He shall come the second time.

The Manner of Christ's Coming

Acts 1:11 "This same Jesus shall so come in LIKE MANNER as ye have seen Him go into heaven." There is nothing ambiguous about this statement. The same resurrected, glorified Saviour, last seen by His disciples, will return in exactly the same way as He departed from them. There is nothing secret or silent about it, except the time of His coming. (Acts 1:7). It is an actual, visible, personal and sudden appearance in the clouds of heaven.

"And they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds with power and glory." (Mark 13:26).

Like the lightning flash (Matthew 24:27), suddenly, unexpectedly, visibly (Revelations 1:7) "every eye shall see him." It will be universally known. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, countless millions of blood-washed saints shall be resurrected from their graves, and living saints on earth shall be changed as Christ descends from heaven at the last trump. (1 Corinthians 15: 51-52). "Caught up together to meet the Lord in the air" (1 Thessalonians 4:17). The communion service, which is to cease when He comes, is still being commemorated everywhere. "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven" are the words of prayer spoken by old and young.

The Believers' Attitude

Seventeen years ago when Christ brought me out of the Romanist Church, the preaching of the second advent was the great theme of all fundamentalist and full gospel bodies. Today there is a distinct decline in the preaching of this great message of hope. This greatest of all events should be one of joyous expectation. "We shall see Him as He is" (1 John 3:3). Our attitude should be fixed with purpose and holy living. "And now, little children, abide in him; that, when He shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at His coming" (1 John 2:28). Vigilance and service is the great need of the hour.

SINGING TO A DRUNKARD

A memorable preacher of the nineteenth century was Dr. Joseph Parker, of the City Temple, London. Those who remember his ministry will estimate him as one of the greatest forces in building up the Free Churches throughout the land at that time. He was the son of a stone mason and was born at Hexham, Northumberland. He tells in his *Autobiography* how his entrance into the ministry was due to the influence of his father, who was a deacon of the Congregational church there.

A generation before Joseph Parker was born there lived in Newcastle-on-Tyne, a tailor called George Charlton. He was an active temperance worker and an acceptable lay preacher, who used to spend his week ends preaching in the near-by village chapels. One Saturday night he was traveling by train to Hexham on this errand when an intoxicated man with his wife entered the compartment. As he was disposed to create a disturbance, George Charlton said to him, "Shall I sing you a song?"

"Yes," replied the man, "let's have a song." Charlton struck up a hymn and followed this with several more, singing till the train reached its destination, when he bade the couple farewell.

Seven years later he was in Hexham again on another preaching engagement and stayed at the house of one of the deacons of the church. ("I don't think you remember me, Mr. Charlton," said the hostess.

"No," he said, "Where have we met before?"

"Do you remember singing to a drunken man in the railway train some seven years ago?" she said.

"I remember it well, for I have never done it before or since," he replied.

"Well," she said, "that was my husband. Next day he said to me, 'Lass, I'll never touch liquor again,' and he never has. And then he joined the chapel, and now he is a deacon."

The man's name was Joseph Parker—the father of the celebrated divine. Who can say what the life of his son might have been had that hymn not been sung that night by an unknown tailor?

—Christian Digest
From The Shantyman

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Generously do more than your share,
and by and by you will share generously.

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He is happy whose circumstances suit
his temper, but he is more excellent who
can suit his temper to any circumstance.

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It is better to lose with a conscience
clear than win by an unfair trick.

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God did not promise a smooth voyage
through life, only a safe landing.

Missions

Radio Sets Will Be Assistant Missionaries

Brother R. J. Renfroe writes from the city of Monrovia, on the southern coast of West Africa:

We hope that by the time you read this our radio equipment will have reached us. Brother Johnston in Vallejo has been working long and hard to get it ready for us. We are truly grateful for his labor of love. All of the money given for the pre-tuned sets is now exhausted. We still can use more of these little receivers. While we have been waiting for the sets, we have not been idle. Contacts have been made in the remote interior for the operation of the receivers. Simple gospel messages are being recorded in the native languages for later broadcast to the interior tribes. We now have gospel message in Kru, Wai, Gola, Bassa, Gbandi, and will soon have Mano and Gio recordings. Please pray that the Lord will help us in all the technical work of setting up and putting our transmitters into operation. Those who would like to sponsor a receiver for West Africa may do so by sending \$30 designated "Radio" in our name to the Missions Department in Springfield.

Only two more days remained before the conclusion of the short-term Bible institute Brother Hasch and I were conducting at Owensgrove for the Bassa people, when I awakened about three o'clock in the morning of October 4 with an excruciating pain in my right side. We prayed for more than three hours and then decided that I must go to the hospital. It meant a 45-minute walk through the rain to Brother Hasch's Jeep, and then a 30-minute ride across Firestone's rubber plantation to the modern hospital. Mrs. Renfroe sent cables home, and the good friends began to pray. I had no pain after Sunday, and the following Sunday I came home. At first the physicians talked about flying me home for an operation; then a little later, about going home in a month. They were amazed at the quick recovery. Surely God answers prayer. How we praise Him! While thanking all of those who prayed in that time of need that I might have the healing touch of the Lord, we would be most ungrateful if we did not express our appreciation to the Firestone Rubber Company for the kindness and consideration shown us during the ten days I was in the hospital.

Right: A HEADSTONE on a steep hillside marks the grave of Brother Frank Isensee, who lost his life last April when a truck in which he was riding slipped off the road and rolled down the mountain. Brother Walter Erickson and some of the Peruvians are shown at the burial place in the heart of the Andes.

Children's Home, Bible School, And Another Church Fiji Islands

The Heetebrys

Brother and Sister A. M. Heetebry are veteran missionaries in Suva.

The children in our "Home" are very happy and doing nicely. It is three years ago since we went up the river to look into the needs of that first orphaned family and found undernourished girls with little or no clothes and only an aged grandfather to look after them. It was a step of faith for both us and our co-workers to take them under the wing of the Assemblies of God. Since then other children have been added, twelve in all, eleven of them motherless. Five have been baptized in water, and three filled with the Spirit. The eldest girl, 16 years old, teaches a Sunday school class and gathers other children too small to come alone to Sunday school.

In October we commenced another term of Bible school. We have 14 new students. As most of them work for their living, we have the classes at an hour which suits everyone best. There are three Fijians, two Rotumans, one Samoan, one Tongan, one from Union Island, one Papuan, three Euronians, and one Indian attending school.

In the new year we hope to build another church three miles from First Church. A very good lot on an elevated position has been given to the Assemblies of God in Fiji by an Indian Methodist. He had offered it to other missionaries, but for some unknown reason, they did not accept it. We rejoiced in the kindness of this brother and accepted his gift. To build at this time will be quite an undertaking because of the shortage of materials. The Lord has already provided the roofing iron, which is one of the most difficult materials to procure. So we are believing the Lord will help us to build the church.



THE PENTECOSTAL TOWN of Huayaucito, five minutes from the scene of the accident, is about a mile below the gold mines of Ranapampa, Peru. This is the congregation Brother Isensee was on his way to visit. This flourishing work is entirely indigenous and self-supporting. It has 15 or 20 lay preachers who go out into surrounding towns with the gospel.

Back at Their Station and Thankful For New Car

Peru

The Daniels

Sister Alberta Daniels and her daughter Elaine are back in Ica, Peru, a city several hours ride south of Lima. The ship they traveled on from San Francisco to Lima carried 500 tons of dynamite. After several days used in getting their things through customs, they attended the annual convention in Lima, and went on to their station.

On the 17th of September we traveled to Ica. The very next night after our arrival, the church had a welcome service for us. Everyone brought a little gift of food—even a can of peaches from California, something of a prohibitive price. The hall was packed. Many had hired a small truck and had come in from the country. It was quite different from our first arrival in Ica over six years ago. Then there wasn't one Christian to help us.

How we looked forward to having a car here in Peru. The C. A.'s of Northern California-Nevada District have given us a beautiful new Chevrolet sedan. There were difficulties in getting it on the ship from New York. Since we arrived in this country, a new law has been made, raising duty on cars more than \$200. The deadline was October 8. Our car was to have come on the 9th. But the way opened for it to come three days sooner. And the last day, our car arrived, released at the old price. We are very thankful. Surely the Lord has a special work for this car in reaching new souls.

In One of the Crossroads Of the World

Singapore

The Bairds

Vallance and Lula Baird are from Alameda.

A section of this community is given to the Indians from India, as well as Indians from Ceylon. Bordering this

community of Indians is a section for the Malays. The rest of the community is occupied by Chinese of all different dialects. We are the one American family living in the midst of them. So you can picture what a cosmopolitan community we are and how many holidays are celebrated during the year by these different races.

The Lim family lives next to our main mission. Although they have been friendly to us, they have felt quite unconcerned about their souls. Often they have been brought to the Lord in prayer as we gather for our Friday night prayer meetings. Suddenly Mr. Lim became critically ill and was nigh unto death. This was the means of bringing him to the place where he felt he needed a Saviour. Eagerly he read the Gospels which we gave him, and soon he yielded his life to the Lord. His wife also was saved. He was baptized in the sea about three weeks ago. Having cancer, he had been given only a couple of months to live. We are praying for Mr. Lim's healing. It would stir the entire community if this should take place and would certainly bring glory to the Lord. Every morning Mrs. Lim and their three children gather around his bed, read the Bible, and have family prayers together.

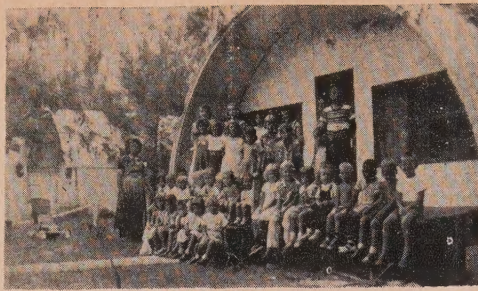
Reaching Families Through Children

Philippines

The Shields

Brother and Sister C. E. Shields are located in Santa Maria, Ilocos Sur, in the Philippine Islands.

Not so long ago a friend at home sent us a box of used ladies' handbags. Several sisters in our church took one, and there were just enough left to give each of our little kindergarten girls one to use as satchels for carrying their writing



tablets, pencils, and crayons, and all the other assorted things that women (even little ones) like to lug around. The little boys just turned green with envy and have been begging for handbags, too. If every woman who reads this would look through your old pocketbooks and send us the ones she doesn't want, the gifts will touch many little hearts in our three kindergarten classes. Relief clothing is also badly needed for all ages and both sexes, especially for our kindergarten ages, four to six years. If the Lord should lay it on your heart to send an old pocketbook, why not fill it with raisins, a bag of hard candy, gum, dried prunes, or balloons for the kiddies. Little used shoes and sox are badly needed. Packages sent for this work should be declared: "Relief for free distribution, no commercial value." Declare no parcel more valuable than \$9.50.

At present we have 38 enrolled pupils in the three kindergarten classes. Each child pays \$1.25 a month for tuition. That money is used to pay the salaries of the two young lady classroom assistants. There is a small balance left; so we use it and more, to buy the pupils a daily refreshment such as prunes, buns, raisins, peanuts, fruit cookies, or whatever we can find. So many of them are undernourished that we try to give something each day which will be good for them and that they will enjoy.

ON MIDWAY ISLAND a group of children, left, attend the story hour conducted by Brother and Sister W. M. Alexander.

NEW MISSIONS OPPORTUNITIES

At the end of November, according to word sent to Brother Leonard Palmer, the District Missionary Secretary, world missionary giving of the Assemblies of God was nearly \$200,000 over last year's giving.

Brother Horst continued: "This does not mean that we can stop now, for never in the history of our movement have the doors of opportunity been as open as now. With revivals in many countries, there is a need for larger buildings. As new areas are opening up to us, we have to draw from our General Fund until we are now operating in the red. We would like to make this plea, that offerings be sent in undesignated in order for us to balance the General Fund and to provide a reserve. It is the General Fund which we draw upon for emergencies such as missionaries having to return home on furlough, emergency sickness, unusual openings, purchase of property which is an opening into new areas for which the missionaries have prayed for years. These needs, though there have been no funds designated specifically for them, must be met out of the General Fund. We would appreciate all that the churches and the Districts can do to help at this time of our greatest opportunity."

THE COMING DISTRICT COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE (revised)

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Brother Jones is asked to serve on this committee. Due to circumstances, Brother Leonard has asked to be excused.

SCRIPTURAL CAKE

1 cup of Judges 5:25
3½ cups of Exodus 29:2
2 cups of Nahum 3:12
1 cup of Genesis 24:17
1 teaspoon of Exodus 16:31
2 cups of Jeremiah 6:20
2 cups of I Samuel 30:12
1 cup of Numbers 17:8
6 cups of Isaiah 10:14
1 pinch of Leviticus 2:13

Season to taste with I Kings 10:2. Follow Solomon's prescription for a good boy in Proverbs 23:14 and you will have a good cake. This recipe is over 2000 years old.

SHOULD YOU BE IN THIS PICTURE?

If you feel you ought to be in Bible School but have put off enrolling, you need no longer delay. Our spring semester begins February 4, and you may enroll as a regular three-year student or for special studies in the field of your choice. For complete information write:

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P. O. Box 961
Santa Cruz, California



A portion of a class at Glad Tidings

GLAD TIDINGS BIBLE INSTITUTE

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCHOOL IN NOVEMBER

The District office greatly appreciates every contribution for the cost of Glad Tidings Bible Institute and Bethany Park campground. By faith in God and with faith in our people, the brethren have launched this building program. Continued support from the churches and constituents is needed to meet the cost of this great enterprise, which we believe will bear lasting fruit in the lives of our young people and in the ministry of the Pentecostal message in days to come.

Below are shown the gifts in November, together with the new totals in instances where these are additions to former contributions.

From Churches		New Total
Hollister Full Gospel Tabernacle	\$ 16.63	\$ 404.99
Modesto Bethel Church	75.00	1,350.00
Palo Alto Full Gospel Lighthouse	25.00	50.00
Quincy Assembly of God	5.00	46.00
Sacramento Bethel Temple	500.00	1,500.00
Waterford Assembly of God	28.55	47.80

From Fellowship Meetings

Capital Section	10.00	275.19
Peninsula Section	118.76	654.80
<i>From Individuals</i>		
R. C. Aderholt, Modesto	10.00	32.00
Esther L. Brady, Firebaugh	10.00	40.00
F. L. Cook, Oakdale	10.00	45.00
Martin Engebretsen, Woodleaf	10.00	50.00
G. C. and Esther Hosking, Davis	15.00	25.00
Wm. R. Hamblin, Ferndale	10.00	
Mrs. Alice Hartley, San Jose	10.00	15.00
Harold Knox, Oakland	10.20	
Andy Martindale, Pittsburg	50.00	100.00
Edith Lee, San Pablo	5.00	
Donald North, Greenville	10.00	20.00
C. E. Persing, Richmond	50.00	250.00
Alice R. Rice, San Francisco	5.00	
L. W. Suter, Santa Cruz	10.00	80.00
Mrs. Alice D. Williams, Oakland	15.00	25.00
Anonymous	100.00	

Total Contributions in November ..\$1,109.14

Changes In District Membership

July 1 to December 31, 1951

Transferred INTO the District:

Luther W Bates (Licensed) from Arkansas.
H. L. Blankenship (Ordained) from Arkansas.
Mrs. Florence Boucher (Ordained) from Illinois.
V. J. Boutwell (Ordained) from Southern Idaho.
Allen J. Brown (Ordained) from Southern California.
Mabel T. Brown (Mrs. A. J.) (Licensed) from Southern California.
David C. Colbert (Licensed) from Southern California.
Geo. G. Effman (Ordained) from Northwest.
J. O. Epperson (Licensed) from Southern California.
Floyd L. Foster (Exhorter) from Southern California.
O. L. Foth (Ordained) from Missions Department.
Clyde A. Henson (Ordained) from Southern California.
Paul B. Jones (Ordained) from Oregon.
J. L. McClintic (Licensed) from Oklahoma.
W. T. McMullan (Ordained) from Southern California.
Charles H. Miller (Ordained) from Texas.
Ida May Miller (Mrs. C. H.) (Ordained) from Texas.
Donald A. Nelson (Licensed) from Southern California.

Kelsey C. Prinzing (Ordained) from Oregon.
Wm. H. Reeve (Ordained) from Southern California.
Willie P. Rudd (Licensed) from Texas.
Waymon P. Rutledge (Licensed) from New Mexico.
Fredolf B. Sondeno (Licensed) from Southern California.
Searl W. Stover (Ordained) from Ohio.
Geo. C. Sturgeon (Ordained) from Northwest.
W. G. Wakefield (Ordained) from Oregon.

Transferred OUT of the District:

Gaylord E. Atwell (Ordained) to Southern California.
Daniel Bayliss (Ordained) to Oregon.
Don E. Bibler (Licensed) to Rocky Mountain.
La Berta L. Bibler (Mrs. D. E.) (Licensed) to Rocky Mountain.
W. D. Clonts (Licensed) to Oklahoma.
Chas. B. Dobbins (Ordained) to Texas.
R. J. Ferguson (Licensed) to Ohio.
C. E. Freeze (Ordained) to Southern California.
T. S. Capen (Ordained) to Oregon.
J. G. Garland (Ordained) to West Central.
Keith J. Hill (Ordained) to Northwest.
Daniel W. Hughes (Licensed) to Rocky Mountain.
Paul J. Johnson (Licensed) to Potomac.
Clarence J. Larson (Ordained) to North Dakota.

Eugene Z. Lawrence (Ordained) to Southern California.
John A. Long (Licensed) to Northwest.
O. W. Keyes (Ordained) to Texas.
Elizabeth Keyes (Mrs. O. W.) (Ordained) to Texas.
Agnes Keys (Licensed) to Arkansas.
E. Elsworth Krogstad (Ordained) to Oregon.
Frank K. Mapes (Licensed) to Oregon.
Dwight Nielsen (Licensed) to Oregon.
T. J. Silva (Ordained) to Oregon.
John R. Vest (Ordained) to Southern Missouri.
T. R. Whittington (Ordained) to Ark.
Withdrew:
Helen K. Smales (Ordained).

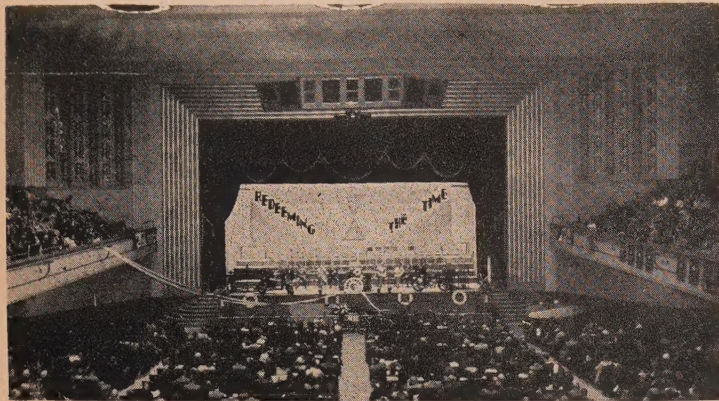
SCHEDULE OF FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

JANUARY

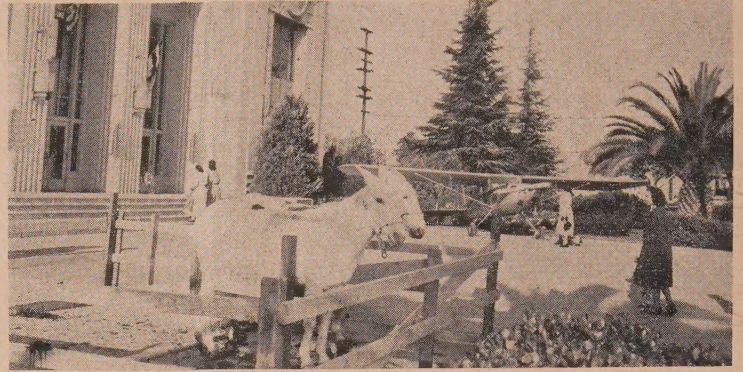
7—Oakland (Bethel)
14—Cupertino (Monte Vista),
Kelseyville, Roseville
21—Boyes Hot Springs
28—Madera

FEBRUARY

4—Berkeley, Fortuna, Susanville
12 (Tues.)—Ukiah
19—Mount Shasta
25—Corning, Durham



INTERIOR of the Fresno Memorial Auditorium during the Speed-the-Light service. The theme of the convention is portrayed on the stage with a huge hour glass imposed above the words, "Redeeming the Time."



THE SIGHT AWAITING THOSE who came to the Speed-the-Light service on Sunday afternoon. Shown here at the entrance are two extreme modes of missionary transportation—mules and an airplane.

REPORTING . . .

THE JOINT C. A. CONVENTION

The opening of a convention holds many folks with its anticipation. This was much in evidence on Friday night as people came into the auditorium from all parts of California and Nevada. Old friends were greeted and an air of excitement filled the place. As the service began, a C.A. choir led with the C.A. Chorus. Special singing such as that of the Turlock girls' Octet and the Fresno Full Gospel Tabernacle choir was enjoyed. The main speaker, Brother Paul Gaston, then brought the first message.

In the Saturday morning service a letter was read from Brother Warren Hill, who is the Southern California C. A. President. Brother Hill at the time was on a tour of the Mediterranean Areas under the direction of the Foreign Missions Department. It was in this meeting that Missionary John Tinsman of Indonesia spoke on the "Discipline, Dare, and Duty of Consecration." It was also evident that our two district Bible schools were represented in all these services. Besides a very attractive booth from Southern California Bible College and one from Glad Tidings Bible Institute displayed in the lobby, these two schools each had a musical group. The S.C.B.C. male quartet and the G.T.B.I. girl's trio were on the program in most of the services.

Some were disappointed when the announcement was sent out prior to the convention that we would be unable to have a street parade on Saturday afternoon as had been planned. This was soon

dispelled when, in the place of a parade, a very exciting but timely panel discussion was heard. Instead of a regular service as we understood the term "service," the whole afternoon was given to the practical approach to "Faith As It Is Related to Education, Vocation, and Marriage." Brother C. M. Ward of Bakersfield led the discussion with Brothers Floyd Hawkins, Wm. Pickthorn, and Kenneth Haystead. At the end, questions were heard from the floor. It was clearly indicated that our young people are faced with real problems along these lines. It was also evident that the time given to such a discussion was most valuable to those present.

The Saturday night service was filled with color and excitement. A brass trio, the Gospel Aires Quartet, and the Aderholt Evangelistic Party gave special musical numbers. Brother Jim Swanson of Hayward conducted a quiz between the South and the North. As in the other services, the place of God's Word held the deeper interest and relish as it came forth under the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

On Sunday morning during Sunday school time our C.A. leaders from two districts had a special class. It was a seminar on youth leadership. About one hundred local presidents, vice-presidents, and secretary-treasurers studied



The official joint convention picture shown here can be purchased for \$1.00 in a large size, 8 x 24, from the FISHER PHOTO SERVICE, REEDLEY, CALIF.

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Third and A Sts., Turlock, Calif.

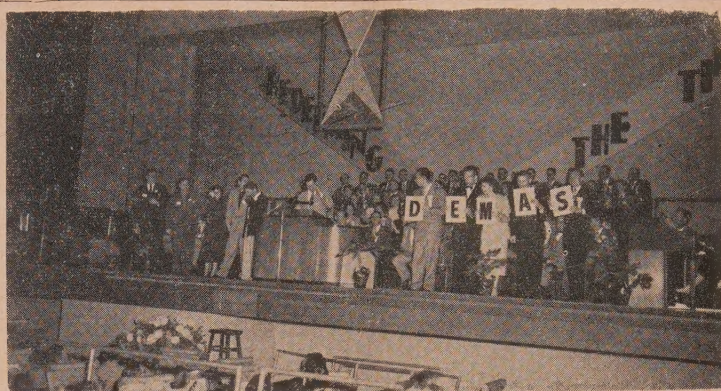


100 YOUTH LEADERS enjoy a clinic on Sunday morning. Jim Swanson of Hayward is getting his point across.

ways and ideas to improve the local C.A. services.

The Speed-the-Light service on Sunday afternoon was indicative even as people arrived. Out in front of the auditorium, in the lobby and in the meeting hall were displayed typical Speed-the-Light equipment—everything from mules to airplanes. Just before the regular message Brother John Tinsman spoke by radio-telephone with Brother Paul Pipkin in Manila, P.I. This conversation was heard by all over the public address system. The C.A.'s out in Manila sang the C.A. Chorus for us here in America. Then they gave testimonials and finally Brother Pipkin gave a graphic word picture of the work out there and what we are faced with in these last days of working for God. There were few dry eyes or un-

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A BIBLE QUIZ enlivened the Saturday night service. Two teams, representing the Southern California and the Northern California-Nevada Districts, vied for honors. The team on the right won for the North.



PANEL DISCUSSION was heard Saturday afternoon. From left to right; C. M. Ward, Floyd L. Hawkins, Wm. E. Pickthorn, and Kenneth Haystead.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

L. W. SUTER, District Sunday School Director

Our Greatest Asset—The Teenager

by Harriet P. Wilson

Our greatest asset of tomorrow or most tragic loss of the future will be determined by what we do with the youth of our churches today. Will we take the line of least resistance and through indifference and lethargy allow our teenagers to drift through and out of our Sunday schools, or will facts known to all youth workers startle us into a definite plan of action?

Statistics prove that nine out of every ten Christians give their hearts to the Lord before they reach their seventeenth year. Our objective, then, is to bring our intermediate or teenager into a definite experience of salvation and Christian growth. If this is not accomplished the chances are he may never yield to Christ. We firmly believe there are "seasons of the soul" when the heart and life respond more readily to the claims of Christ than at other times. And it is also true that the early years of adolescence seem the most susceptible to the gospel.

Our task primarily, then, as teachers is to be evangelical. There must be a real God-given love for this very needy age before even a measure of success can be reached. Teachers of early adolescence should be leaders with a vision, consecration and enthusiasm for the task. Faithfulness is essential and must be accompanied by self-control, patience and perseverance.

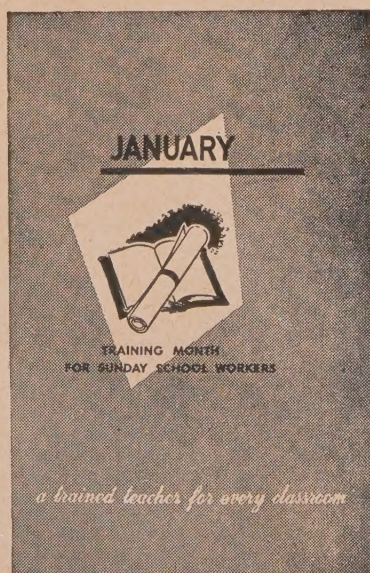
Between the years of twelve and eighteen, which is called early and middle adolescence, a child has become an independent being with the power to make choices which will lead him to or away from God. This God-given power is necessary for the development physically, mentally and spiritually of our intermediates and seniors. This period of transition must be recognized as such. To ignore the norm of nature is folly, but to allow youth to go unrestrained is sin. As sure as God judged Eli for his laxity, just so will He hold responsible the leaders of youth who fail to hold high a standard of righteousness. More often, however, young people are misunderstood, misguided, or neglected; or force is used when reason is needed. In each heart is placed a desire for God, idealism, and reality. Surrounded by temptations perhaps unknown to us, life's path uncharted, the youth of today need our understanding love, patience and prayer to keep them true to themselves and God.

The challenge of their energy, enthusiasm and a desire for the unusual must

be met with a purpose for life. Preparation of the soil by prayer, followed by as much personal attention as the individual pupil needs, quickened by the Holy Spirit, gives a rich harvest.

The teacher's work is not finished when all in his class are definitely saved. Just as needed is the teaching of Christian living: to confess the Lord, to follow on in water baptism, communion service, regularly attend church services, private devotions and witnessing. Blessed is the teacher who sees one after another of his class earnestly seeking and receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Thank God this is being done. An outlet for service must be given our intermediates and seniors whenever possible. Class secretaries, departmental pianists, Reserve Workers' Training Corps, classes for prospective teachers, preparation of visual aid for others to use are a few opportunities to serve. Christian stewardship, although it has been taught from the nursery on up becomes a practicability to the senior. Guidance may be needed by some for personal cleanliness and good taste in clothes.

Seniors are keenly interested in things pertaining to family life. Questions asked in a mixed class show the need of such council. Perhaps the only principles for right some receive come in a Sunday school session. In a few years many of them will be married, so permanent standards to which these boys and girls will hold must be given them now. The middle adolescent today faces the problem of service in the armed forces. High-



100 PER CENTERS

Capital Section

E. W. Knutson, presbyter

Lassen-Plumas Section

Wm. Ross, presbyter

Nevada Section

Carl Anderson, presbyter

Diablo Section

L. L. Ferguson, presbyter

North Bay Section

J. L. Gerhart, presbyter

North San Joaquin Section

O. Painter, presbyter

South San Joaquin Section

Otto Schmidt, presbyter

Peninsula Section

E. O. Robeck, presbyter

Redwood Section

R. L. Neal, presbyter

Every church in these sections have sent in their report. The other sections lack only one, two or three reports of being complete. On December 10th only 16 reports were needed to make our District unanimous. **LET'S MAKE IT 100% THIS YEAR.**

er education with the accompanying evil of unbelief is also to be faced. Today our youth who will be the ministry of tomorrow is challenged to consecrate all for Christ.

Teachers with a vision of what the most unlikely can become, teachers who are consecrated to the task of praying, reading and loving each member into a personal relationship with Christ are essential. Teachers who are willing to give of themselves, their time, energy and means are the only solution. Theirs the task of living Christ, giving Christ and praying as He prayed, "That not one of these be lost."

Knowledge humbleth the great man, astonishes the common man, and puffs up the little man.

Christianity is not an insurance ticket, but a call to arms.

What you are when you are not trying to be anything is the supreme test of what you are.

THEY TEACH OUR YOUTH

This month we present. . .



THE WILDERMANS in their apartment at G.T.B.I.

A year ago this past fall, the faculty and student body at Glad Tidings united in welcoming our new students' Deans, Brother and Sister Joseph Wilderman. In the ensuing year and a half, they have consistently exercised a worthy ministry in our midst, both in their capacity as deans, and as classroom instructors. Thus we are happy to introduce these newer faculty members to all the readers of *Glad Tidings*.

Brother and Sister Wilderman each began their ministry in Western Canada, and each was a successful gospel worker before their marriage in 1939. Until they came to Glad Tidings, they devoted themselves chiefly to an evangelistic ministry, although they have also held successful pastorates in the United States and Canada. Their evangelistic work won for them a great number of contacts throughout the Pacific Northwest. Their cumulative experience in the ministry, both before and after their marriage, totals fully thirty-five years.

Although Sister Wilderman does not regularly teach in Glad Tidings, she ministers as Dean of Women, and, together with her husband, carries the responsibility of our Campus Church.

In addition to being Dean of Men, Brother Wilderman teaches: Personal Evangelism, New Testament (Gospels and Acts), Church Administration, Church History, Minor Prophets, Public Speaking, and Child and Youth Study in the field of religious education.

The Wildermans have one child, a son, Danny, aged six.

The test of good manners is being able to put up pleasantly with bad ones.

Current Signs

ITEMS OF INTEREST BY ALBERT J. LEBECK .

Nerve Gas

"This is the story of the incredible weapon, whose effect is deadlier than the sting of a hooded cobra. It is a weapon whose presence cannot be detected by the human senses. A drop of liquid the size of a dime on the exposed skin brings death in a matter of minutes; its vapor inhaled for a few seconds may be fatal. It has no color, odor or taste . . . Its war potential properly applied, may prove greater than the atom or hydrogen bomb. Its technical name is secret—we call it a nerve gas. I will never forget seeing the captured German films which showed the gas in action. Tethered goats were munching whisps of hay. There was a slight hissing on the sound track. For a moment the goats seemed unaware of the shapeless cloud that was rolling toward them. Suddenly it struck. The goats reacted as though they had touched a charged wire. They plunged blindly . . . their backs arched, their legs twitched convulsively . . . they dropped to the ground. They were dying in a matter of seconds

It is revolutionary because it attacks an essential ingredient of the nerve process itself. It packs a triple wallop, having some of the effects of curare, the lethal stuff that South American jungle Indians use on darts and arrowheads."

—From Everybody's Digest

Defense Spending May Push National Debt Beyond Limit

Under the pressure of defense spending, the national debt next year may reach if not pass the present legal limit of \$275,000,000,000. Congress probably will be asked to increase the ceiling.

By the end of this month, the national debt will stand at somewhere around \$259,000,000,000. If official estimates on spending and tax receipts are about right, it will mount to \$262,500,000,000 by next June.

Six months of peak deficits are foreseen after that, bringing the prospect that the debt may reach or top \$275,000,000,000.

The top ceiling on the debt during World War II was \$300,000,000,000 and the actual debt reached \$279,200,000,000. The ceiling was cut back by \$25,000,000,000 in 1946.

"Our greatest danger is not from invasion by foreign armies. The danger is that we will commit suicide from within by complaisance with evil or public toleration of scandalous behaviour."—Herbert Hoover.

U. S. Church rolls bulging: An increase of 3.56 percent in U.S. Church membership brought the 1950 figure to a new high of 85,705,280, Christian Herald reports. Protestants gained 2.89, Catholics 3.1 per cent; Protestants have 58.5 per cent of the church population; Catholics 33.2 per cent, the survey shows.

We have in the U.S. today, one government employee to every 22 of the population. Of the working population, that is one to every eight.

Revealing something of the cost of television programs for Christian organizations, Dr. Billy Graham's "Hour of Decision" (15 stations for 13 weeks) cost \$16,000 per broadcast. \$208,000 total.

Cost of Korea campaign is something like \$500,000 monthly, or around \$6,000,000,000 annually, reportedly involving the use of some 433,000 American troops in that area.

Father Sends Sons to Jail For Narcotic Cure

A brokenhearted father sent two sons to jail within a week to stop them from using narcotics and perhaps cure them of the habit permanently, he hoped. Both youths had received treatment in a federal institution in Lexington, Ky., but since they were discharged they drifted back into the narcotics habit. The authorities have promised to try to rehabilitate the youths, who must stay in jail pending further court action. They are not angry with their father. They are grateful, both said, and hope they can be cured.

Air Friction Hotter Than Boiling Water

We have a rocket plane, the navy's Douglas Skyrocket, so speedy that air friction can make it hotter than boiling water. This plane has gone higher than 72,000 feet, more than 13 miles, the highest flight of man. The air friction hotter than boiling water comes at low altitudes. It is counteracted by a refrigeration system in the cockpit. As the rocket ship reaches 70,000 feet the friction is no longer so hot. But above that altitude there is so little air the heat of the sun's rays becomes intolerable unless a cooling system is used. There is, he reported, one terror which is not going to bother us much, namely the astonishing heat of extremely thin upper air. At 35 miles this temperature is 170 degrees and at 400 miles it is 4,000 degrees. But the air particles are so far apart at those altitudes they probably will not even be felt as heat.

Here and There

ALTURAS—The new pastor, who succeeds William L. Shelley, is W. G. Wakefield from Bonanza, Oregon.

ANGELS CAMP—Sister Alpha Shirley has resigned as pastor. Brother W. E. Rudd, who comes from Texas, has been chosen as the new pastor.

ANTIOCH—Pastor A. J. Winkle of Sasakwa, Oklahoma, while visiting in California, held good meetings in a revival campaign with Pastor R. M. Catlett from November 13 to December 2. Pastor Catlett reports good crowds and good results in the services.

AUBURN—The Full Gospel Church has chosen Brother Edwin N. Oster from Bismarck, North Dakota, to be the new pastor, successor to Thomas L. Mendenhall.

CAMPBELL—Evangelist H. Wesley Cooksey held a week of revival meetings with Pastor Herbert Johnson in November.

CHOWCHILLA—Evangelist W. T. Stallings, back in the District after several months' absence, held revival meetings with Pastor H. J. Hays early in December.

CARSON CITY, NEVADA—The Nevada fellowship meeting was held in Nevada's capital city November 19. Sister Rannells reports unusually good attendance in spite of the snowstorm which hit about supper time, and all present were rewarded with the good blessings of the Lord upon the services. Visiting pastors from the Lassen-Plumas section of California had come all the way from Quincy, Greenville, and Herlong. Pastor Don North of Greenville brought the afternoon message. The pastor in Carson City is H. G. Rannells.

CORNING—Pastor Joseph Harper reports: "Evangelist Earl Henderson conducted a very successful four weeks of meetings in Corning the latter part of September and first part of October. His ministry was blessed of the Lord to the edification of the church. There were some very definite results for which we thank the Lord."

ESCALON—The assembly in Escalon has chosen Brother Wm. H. Reeve to be the new pastor. The Reeves have been making their home in Watsonville for the past two years. Formerly in the ministry in Oregon, he comes to us from Southern California.

FORT BRAGG—Reporting on the meetings Evangelists Julia Peterson and Ruth Bertenshaw held there in October, Pastor F. T. Alford writes: "Several were at the altar for salvation and some were refilled with the Holy Spirit. Quite a number of folks were in for the first time. The church was greatly strengthened, the Sunday school increased, and a very good work was done among the young people."

GRASS VALLEY—In November, Evangelist and Mrs. Philip Megna held a successful revival campaign with Pastor C. E.

Lebeck. There were remarkable cases of healing and two were saved, both men who had seldom been inside a church. Though the condition of his throat had taken him from the evangelistic field for a time, Brother Megna has had a definite healing touch and is now able to speak in good voice through a campaign. So they are again open for revival meetings.

GUSTINE—Brother H. C. Vancil has been chosen to be the new pastor.

KEYES—Pastor Carl Olson has resigned, effective when a new pastor is chosen. Brother and Sister Olson opened the work in Keyes about five years ago, starting by erecting a gospel hall and gathering in children and adults for services and Sunday school. The building has had to be enlarged and accommodations built for the Sunday school. Brother and Sister Olson leave a thriving assembly in this San Joaquin Valley community. His health does not permit him to carry on with the full program such a work demands.

LEGGETT—The Lake-Mendocino section presbyter, Brother J. R. Edgar, writes of the fellowship meeting held in Leggett on November 12: "We had a glorious time at this new church, with a fine turnout of ministers and people. Brother Earl Henderson of Oroville spoke in the afternoon, and Pastor P. R. Ford of Sebastopol spoke in the evening. Pastor J. O. Epperson and his people gave us a splendid welcome. We can truly say it was a marvelous day because of the presence of the Lord."

LIVINGSTON—The South San Joaquin fellowship meeting was held there November 26. The church served a fellowship lunch between the services and there was a ministers' meeting before the evening service. The speakers were pastor J. C. Snyder of Kerman in the afternoon and Brother R. J. Thurmond in the evening. Brother E. T. Hunt is pastor in Livingston.

LOS BANOS—Brother Paul Radley has resigned as pastor, effective January 15. During his pastorate, a lovely new church was built for but a small part of the estimated value of \$50,000. The building is debt-free, only the fine seating still being paid for.

LOS GATOS (Three Springs)—Several were saved and the assembly as a whole enjoyed a season of refreshing during the two weeks of revival meetings in this mountain church held by Kenneth Roper, one of the students of G. T. B. I., in early December. The pastor is Fred C. Howe.

MARTINEZ—November 25 brought to a close three weeks of revival meetings with Evangelist Johnnie Smith of Modesto. The evangelist reports six at the altar for salvation on the closing night. The pastor is L. L. Ferguson.

MODESTO (6th and G)—Brother Ray Aderholt has been serving as supply pastor for the past two months.

NORTH FORK—Brother W. A. Frazier, formerly pastor in Olivehurst, held revival meetings in December with Pastor E. E. Bodenhofer, the meetings beginning November 27.

OAKLAND (Bethel)—The pastor has moved from 54th Avenue to 3832 Lyman Road. Lyman Road is an extension of Fruitvale Avenue in the Dimond Park area. The church now has a new seven room parsonage, and the Arthur Ottosons are its first occupants.

OAKLAND (East Oakland Assembly)—The assembly on 108th Avenue has a parsonage. The new home for the pastor is next door to the church. Pastor C. R. Peterson and men of the assembly have had the new home moved from another location and have remodeled it to suit its new location. Brother and Sister Peterson moved into the new home the last week in November.

OAKLAND (First Church)—The congregation has chosen Brother F. A. Sturgeon to be the new pastor. Brother Sturgeon, recently returned from several years in Australia, most of which time he headed a Bible school there, served as interim pastor for several weeks.

PACIFIC GROVE—The Coast Counties fellowship meeting was held there November 26. The speaker in the afternoon was Pastor Fred C. Howe of Three Springs, Los Gatos. The evening speaker was Brother Joseph Wilderman, member of the faculty at G. T. B. I. The pastor in Pacific Grove is Leonard Weston.

PINEDALE—Beginning November 28, Evangelist Johnnie Smith held a revival campaign in early December with Pastor Ed Byram.

PLACERVILLE—Pastor Travis F. Davis reports: "We were privileged to have Brother and Sister Gaston with us Thanksgiving Day. Brother Gaston preached a message long to be remembered in Placerville at our Union Thanksgiving service. We are in the midst of good revival meetings. So far eight have been saved and four have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost."

RODEO—The Diablo Valley fellowship meeting, originally scheduled for Antioch, was held in Rodeo on November 12 with Pastor L. E. Cruncleton. The speaker of the evening was Brother Kenneth Haystead.

SACRAMENTO (Bethel)—Brother Clyde A. Hensen of Southern California has been chosen to be the new pastor of Bethel Temple to succeed Brother Nelson Hinman. Brother Henson leaves the church in La Mesa, near San Diego, to come to Sacramento.

SAN JOSE (Bethel)—Evangelists Paul and Esther Mae Wyrich (formerly Esther Mae Cooper) held good meetings for Pastor E. O. Robeck from November 13 to 22. These meetings followed a campaign with Evangelist William Andrews of Seattle

from October 30 to November 11.

The December 10 fellowship meeting scheduled for South San Francisco was held, instead, in Bethel Church in San Jose, Pastor C. E. Curtright of South San Francisco having asked for a later date. The speaker for the afternoon was Brother Willard C. Peirce, Dean of G. T. B. I. The evening speaker was Pastor L. R. Keys of San Francisco.

SAN JOSE (Calvary)—Brother T. Kermit Jeffrey of Burbank, California, has been chosen to be the new pastor. Brother S. H. Robertson, now making his home in San Jose, served the church as interim pastor for a number of weeks.

SANTA CRUZ (Bethel)—On October 7, Brother and Sister L. A. Constant opened a new gospel work in the eastern part of Santa Cruz. On that day the doors of Bethel Chapel, located on 17th Avenue, were opened for services and Sunday school. The new building has been erected by Brother Constant himself. It is next door to their home, which can be used to accommodate some of the Sunday school classes when the school outgrows its present facilities of three rooms in the chapel building. Attendance has reached as high as 51. Pastor Treva Constant reports that four have been saved and three have been filled with the Holy Spirit in the new building.

SANTA CRUZ (First Assembly)—The church on Mission Street enjoyed the ministry of Brother Watson Argue of Seattle while he was in Santa Cruz for a week early in December because of the critical illness of his father, Brother A. H. Argue. "Dad" Argue celebrated his 84th birthday in November. The pastor of First Assembly is Raymond P. Murray.

SEBASTOPOL—Writing on December 4, Pastor P. R. Ford reports; "We had a very good fellowship meeting and C. A. rally here yesterday (the North Bay section). We had an exceptionally large crowd and fine services all day. Several were saved last night. We are now living in our new parsonage. We dedicated it last night."



THE PITTSBURG SUNDAY SCHOOL, numbering 213 when the picture was taken, is shown on the front steps of the church. This was the second anniversary of Pastor Andy Martindale's coming to the church. At that time the school attendance was 53. Located at Harbor and Santa Fe Streets, the building had been partly framed when Pastor Martindale assumed responsibilities. Measuring 42x72 feet, it has an auditorium seating 250, and has five Sunday school rooms. The stucco building is estimated to have a value of \$30,000.

SOQUEL—Evangelist Carolyn Lindblad closed a very good campaign with Pastor Elizabeth Mehringer on December 9.

STOCKTON (Bethel)—Pastor H. L. Blankenship reports that the assembly on Drake Avenue had good revival meetings in November with Evangelist Ronald Prinzing, son of Pastor Kelsey C. Prinzing of Lodi.

SUTTER—In the beginning of December, Pastor Lester L. Kersey wrote; "We have just closed three weeks revival with Brother W. A. Frazier, former pastor in Olivehurst. Souls were saved and our attendance in Sunday school almost doubled. In October our assembly was greatly blessed in two weeks of revival with Evangelist E. L. Vaughn."

UKIAH—On December 7, Pastor J. R. Edgar wrote: We are in the fourth and final week of revival meeting with Brother Earl Henderson of Oroville. God has blessed in a wonderful way with souls being saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.

WATSONVILLE (Pajaro)—The Coast Counties fellowship meeting in December was held on the 10th in the Pajaro Full Gospel Church, for the annual sectional business meeting. The meeting ended with

a gospel service in the evening, with Evangelist O. A. Hart as the speaker. The pastor is Chas. Coffey.

WEITCHPEC—Pastor F. C. Horne reports having two weeks of very good meetings in November with Evangelist Jennie O'Brien.

WEOTT—Pastor Warren Pine has resigned, effective when his successor is chosen.

NEW ARRIVAL

Readers who have been in Northern California for ten years or more will be interested in the arrival of a son into the home of Howard and Betty Anderson of Galt. Sister Anderson is the former Betty Thommen. Little Harold Thommen Anderson was born November 13.

WEDDING BELLS

Bethel Temple in Turlock was the scene of a beautiful wedding the night of December 1, when the assistant pastor, Forrest Beiser, and Ollie Brenda were joined in matrimony. Beautifully decorated for the occasion, the temple was filled with friends from far and near. Both of these young people are licensed members of the District, and Forrest is the District C. A. Secretary-Treasurer.

WILL VISIT SERVICE MEN. Pastor C. F. Tucker, P. O. Box 455, Fairfield, Calif., offers to contact service men stationed at Travis Air Force Base, in the interest of the gospel for friends and relatives.

FOR SALE: The church at North Fork, northwest of Fresno, has twelve 16-foot army chapel benches to sell at \$7.50 each. They were used for outside arbor meetings during the past summer. The church would like to buy a small Sunday school bus. Those interested should write to Pastor E. E. Bodenhofer, Box 801, North Fork, Calif.



RUSSIAN REFUGEES who are Pentecostal Christians in San Francisco make up the assembly that has had its meeting place on Kansas Street for a number of years. in the Russian settlement of the city. The congregation is shown above with its pastor, Brother A. A. Gouroff, in the front row with Bible case in his hand. With substantial help from the Missions Department in Springfield, the assembly is remodeling a leased building so as to have more adequate accommodations for their services. They are doing as much of the work as they can so as to stretch the funds as far as possible, for they are interested not only in their own comfort, but also that they might have a church to enable them to reach others of their countrymen who have found haven in America and are getting settled in the city of San Francisco. Those who wish to contribute to the development of this new church should send their offerings to the Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo.

PERSONAL MENTION

Evangelist JAMES E. HART is continuing in meetings in Texas. He moved his family back to Fort Worth this past summer and has been holding meetings in Texas and Oklahoma with good results. His present mailing address is 1500 S. Jennings Ave., Fort Worth, Texas.

Sister LOUISE HARLAND has left the orphanage in Valdez, Alaska to go to Aniak to assist Sister Vera Porter, supervisor of the children's home and pastor of the assembly in that Alaskan community. Miss Harland plans on being in Aniak for the winter, for Miss Potter, after being in the hospital for some weeks, will still not be able to carry on her work for some time due to the loss of a thumb by amputation.

Exangelist and Mrs. HOMER M. DOYLE held three weeks of revival meetings in Trenton, Missouri, in November. Their meetings have been enjoying very good attendance and good results at the altar.

Brother FRANK MAPES, who was licensed by this District in June after his graduation from G.T.B.I., has become the pastor of the assembly in Amity, Oregon. Since his graduation, he has been joined in marriage to Erica Schmidt of Fresno, also a former student at Glad Tidings.

Brother W. A. COVINGTON, while continuing his studies in S.C.B.C., is teaching pipe organ and is serving the Assembly of God in Santa Ana as organist and choir director, assisting Pastor Ben Hardin.

Brother Joseph A. McKittrick, who is a licensed member of the Eastern District, writes that he is open for evangelistic meetings or to serve as supply pastor for a time. He is now making his home at Route 1, Box 359, Hollister, California.

Annual W. M. C. Meeting In S. F.

All-day ladies' meeting is slated for January 29 in Glad Tidings Temple

District Council time is again at hand and we trust many of you will be able to attend our all-day Women's Missionary Council rally on Tuesday, January 29, starting at 10 a.m. at Glad Tidings Temple, San Francisco. The morning will be a time of getting acquainted, roll call, exchange of ideas and reports of District work and finances. Bring your posters for display and be prepared to tell us about them. Lunch will be served by the Glad Tidings W.M.C. under the direction of Mrs. Stanley Millar, local president. The theme of the afternoon service will be "Witnesses." Mrs. Ferne Murray will present this subject and represent the local church. She will tell us how five different groups work harmoniously in the church at Santa Cruz. And you will want to see the "Cheer Bringers" poster and hear about the "missionary" work they are doing in the community. Home missions will be represented by home missionaries present and foreign missions by foreign missionaries present. We urge all sectional directors to be present, those still in office and those newly elected.

Mrs. R. L. Neal sends in the following report of recent activities of the section where she has been acting as director: "The Redwood Section enjoyed a very interesting and inspiring rally in the afternoon and evening of October 25. Local W.M.C. groups brought displays and gave interesting reports of their work. Among many other things being done, quite a few quarts of corn, apples and berries have been canned for the sectional camp next summer in order to help lower cost of meal tickets. We understand a beef and a hog are being raised for this purpose, too. The Eureka

ladies served a delicious hot lunch. Faith-inspiring messages by Brother W. W. Simpson, returned veteran missionary from China, were greatly enjoyed. We were made to realize afresh how very mindful God is of His children at all times. Matt. 28:20."

An urgent call for Christian books in good condition comes from Mrs. Omar Goins, P.O. Box 324, Lihue, Kauai, T. H. If you will bring books wrapped in packages or in boxes to District Council marked for Hawaii, I will see they are sent to her. Any good books for children from the age of six to middle teens are acceptable.

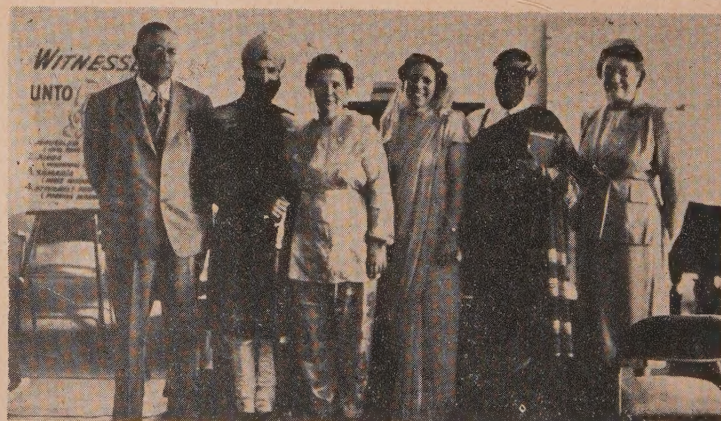
Sister Elizabeth Thommen Lehmann, whose concern for our home missionaries motivated the beginnings of our District W.M.C., has a new grandson, born to her daughter, Betty, now Mrs. Howard Anderson of Galt. Recently I sent little Harold a gift from the things left over after camp with a note that I thought Sister Thommen's grandson rated a W.M.C. gift. Following is a note from Betty: "Thank you so much for the gift from the W.M.C.—sweater set, saques, bib and quilt. We all got a thrill out of the love and memory expressed. Mommie is here with me; so she got in on the thrill of it too. Express our thanks to the various groups and the W.M.C. as a whole."

Due to your grand response to the pledge on the heating system for the children's Home in Juneau, Alaska, all of the \$100 has come in. We thank you.

The women of Pajaro church in Watsonville had the unique experience of seeing colored pictures of their gifts to the Indian and Eskimo children of Nikolai, Alaska, when Mildred James was

Reaching the Younger Generation

Below: Left—Brother Omar Goins in Lihue, Kauai, T. H., with boys' club. Right—Sister Goins with girls' club. They have activities and Bible lessons.



PARTICIPANTS IN PANEL DISCUSSION at W. M. C. sectional rally in Santa Cruz, November 1. The theme was: "Witnesses . . . in Jerusalem, in Judea, and to the uttermost parts of the earth." Left to right; W. T. Gaston, Ovid Dillingham, Helen Dillingham, Eileen Edwards (these latter three from India). Simon Grant from Liberia, and Mrs. R. J. Thurmond.

CHILDREN BOOKS NEEDED

Urgent call for Christian books for Hawaii for children ages six to middle teens.

Send by parcel post to Mrs. Omar Goins, P. O. Box 324, Lihue, Kauai, T. H.

invited to show her slides at their meeting. The women had sent just the right number of dolls for the girls, and all the boys received appropriate gifts. Sister James and her co-worker, Aones Rodli, had received several notion dolls and one of these was taken apart to provide gifts for all the older folks. It was a wonderful experience to me also to be present and rejoice with them in the goodness of the Lord in directing our women's work as we saw the shining dark faces of those little children enjoying their first Christmas, and, to many, their first gifts.

—Mrs. R. J. T.

"The great point in prayer is never to give up till the answer comes."

—Muller

A DAY'S FISHING

I fished the livelong day, today,
And never missed one strike;
The bait I used was little smiles
I thought each catch would like.
Somewhere, somehow, in my fishing kit
I found each time a smile they'd hit;
And used to land them a net I wove
Of all that I knew of Christian love.
Each lure I cast was with meaning fraught,
And I'd like to tell you what I caught:
A friend rose out from a deep, dark place,
And, lured by a smile, turned to God's
grace;
Then a broken heart was made contrite,
And let to see that is God's delight;
And another, with faith worn quite thread-
bare,
Was turned to Christ again, and to prayer.
A boy unburdened a secret woe—
Love's landing net sent him home aglow;
A random cast gave to me the thrill
Of a happy friend made happier still;
And an evening catch left me awl—
A hug and a kiss from a little girl;
Then right in my home, both morn and
night,
Smiles were returned to my heart's delight.
"I will make you fishers of men."
Thus Christ your lures will fashion;
And He helps you weave your net of love
If fishing for Him is a passion.
So fishing with smiles—a Christian sport—
Should merit our earnest endeavor,
For a catch carried home to God's own port,
Means we shine like the stars forever.

—W. Parham

Sorrows come to stretch out space in
the heart for joy.



G. T. B. I. NEWS IN PICTURES: 1. The District Presbytery, which met at Bethany park on October 22. In this picture, members of Glad Tidings' faculty are in the front row. 2. Don and Evelyn Schutzler, recent visitors to the campus. Don is continuing studies in college in preparation for a missionary ministry. 3. Fred and Roberta Boring of the class of '49, who paid a call to the campus on their way home from C. A. convention. Brother Boring is pastor at Happy Camp, California. 4. Brother Thurmond instructing the Seniors in Pastoral Theology. 5. A visiting speaker, Rev. Robert Barrie with Pastor Louis Weston of Salinas. Brother Barrie was formerly the editor of "Redemption Tidings" of England. 6. Junior student Marilyn Olsen presents an object lesson to two youngsters. 7. Our English teacher, Brother Kummerfeld, chats with visiting speaker Richard S. W. Ruff. 8. The Vanguard Evangelistic Party: Earl and Hazel Gould, Ed Kramer, and Steven Asmuth, who recently visited the campus. These graduates of '51 have already had a fine response in their evangelistic efforts, both in this District and in Southern California. 9. Elmer Bueno, class of '51, now the assistant pastor at the Full Gospel Temple in Richmond. 10. A student group gathered in a social evening at the home of a faculty member. 11. Evangelist Owen Murphy whose ministry proved a real blessing to both the students and the faculty. 12. Mrs. Virginia Ammon of the class of '35. Mrs. Ammon was visiting the campus in order to consult alumni records. In this connection she asks that members of her class contact her.

C. A. CONVENTION

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touched hearts as the ten-minute broadcast came to an end. Brother J. Paul Bruton then brought a most stirring message calling for the consecration of young couples for missionary work. Many came forward, some of whom were undoubtedly answering a neglected call. The Speed-the-Light offering was received. It totaled about \$3000 in cash, with pledges for a total of about \$5000.

In the closing service on Sunday night, Brothers Paul and Marcus Gaston sang just before the message. Again the message directed us to a greater vision of the work of Christ, as He suffered for our salvation, our healing, and His provision for even greater power for us. Brother Paul Gaston was used of the Lord in each of the evening services. Not one night was there a lack of response to salvation. Many others rededicated themselves to the consecration and service of the Lord.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

(On a Church Bulletin)

Thou shalt not come to service late,
Nor for the amen refuse to wait.
Thy noisy tongue thou shalt restrain
When speaks the organ its refrain.
But when the hymns are sounded out,
Thou shalt lift up thy voice and shout.
The endmost seat thou shalt leave free,
For more to share the pew with thee.
The offering plate thou shalt not fear,
But give thine uttermost with cheer.
Thou shalt the minister give heed,
Nor blame him when thou'rt disagreed.
Unto thy neighbor thou shalt bend,
And, if a stranger, make a friend.
Thou shalt in every way be kind,
Compassionate, of tender mind.
And so by all thy spirit's grace,
Thou shalt show God within this place.

—J. H. Holmes

"I'm careful of the words I say,
To keep them soft and sweet.
I never know from day to day
Which ones I'll have to eat."

Mrs. M.M.E.

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This session is to be of unusual interest and importance. It is urged that every church send a delegate and that there be a full representation of ministers from the beginning of the convention.

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For reservations write Pastor L. R. Keys, 1451 Ellis St., San Francisco.

The District Presbytery will meet as Credentials Committee on Monday and Tuesday, beginning interviews of candidates for the ministry at 10:00 each morning.